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OF THE

Secretary of the Commonwealth

OF

MASSACHUSETTS: ↑

FOR THE

Year Ending November 30, 1935



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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, January 1, 1936.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:—

I have the honor to submit, in compliance with General Laws, (Tercentenary Edition) Chapter 9, section 17, as amended by Chapter 37 of the Acts of 1934, the annual report of the transactions of this office for the year ending November 30, 1935, the returns of the sheriffs of the several counties of money received by them and of their attendance upon a court of record and the county commissioners; a report showing the aggregate vote, both affirmative and negative, on every act or part of an act which shall have been referred by the General Court for acceptance or rejection to the voters of the Commonwealth or any part thereof, or to the city council of any city, during the calendar year 1935; and a record of the work of this Department in respect of public records under Chapter 66 of the General Laws.

There is also presented, in compliance with General Laws, (Tercentenary Edition) chapter 221, section 24, as amended, abstract and tabular statements of the returns of the clerks of the courts for the several counties and the clerks of the Superior Court for civil and for criminal business in Suffolk County; as to civil cases, the number of law, equity, and divorce cases pending at the beginning of each year in the Superior Court for their respective counties, the number of cases of each class disposed of in previous years and brought forward this year, the number of law cases transferred to equity, and the number of equity cases transferred to law, the number of jury, without jury, equity, and divorce cases disposed of during the year, the number of each of these four classes of cases pending at end of the year, the number of each of these classes of cases tried during the year (not including the number in which issues were tried to a jury), the number of equity cases in which issues were tried to a jury, the number of jury, without jury, equity, and divorce cases awaiting trial at end of the year, the number of each of said classes of cases marked inactive during the year under rule of the court, and the number of each of said classes of cases marked inactive at any time, pending at end of year, and subject to dismissal under the rule, and the number of days during which court has sat for hearings or trials with jury and without jury; and, as to criminal cases, the number of such cases remaining at the first of each year in the Superior Court for their respective counties, the number of indictments returned during the year, the number of appealed cases entered during the year, the number of actions on bail bonds or recognizances entered, the number disposed of in previous years which have been brought forward for redispotion, the number of cases disposed of during the year, the number of cases remaining at end of the year, the number of cases tried during the year, the number awaiting trial at end of the year, and the number of days during which the court has sat in their respective counties for trials, hearings, or dispositions.

RECEIPTS

The following table shows in detail receipts from fees, etc., all of which were paid into the treasury daily, and quarterly reports thereof made to the Governor and Council, as required by General Laws, (Tercentenary Edition) chapter 9, section 1:—

Commissions	\$15,405.00	
Corporations	347,374.53	
Limited Partnerships	330.00	
Trade-marks, Labels, etc.	9,325.00	
Sale of Books, etc.	33,141.84	
Certificates	2,395.50	
Military Records	64.10	
Copies: Corporations	\$6,687.55	
Archives	4,638.76	
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	\$11,326.31	11,326.31
Advance Sheets		720.00
Vital Statistics		1,622.80
Miscellaneous receipts		894.15
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		\$422,599.23

COMMISSIONS

The number of commissions issued during the year ending November 30, 1935, was 3,506 (a decrease of 92 from the preceding year), of which 430 were without fee and 108 became void by reason of the failure of the appointees to take out the commissions or to qualify thereunder. The different classes were as follows:—

Notaries public	2,726
Justices of the peace	327
Justices of the peace to solemnize marriages	1
Justice, Supreme Court	1
Justices, Superior Court	4
Judge of Probate and Insolvency	1
Justices and special justices, municipal and district courts	13
Justices of the peace to issue warrants and take bail	2
Trial justices	7
Clerks, municipal and district courts	21
Recorder of Land Court	1
Reporter of Decisions	1
Masters in chancery	14
Public administrators	6
Special state police officers	50
Trustees, commissioners, etc.	175
Public warehousemen	30
Medical examiners	15
Associate medical examiners	13
Commissioners to qualify public officers	8
Members, Governor's Council	2
Commissioners in foreign countries	1
Board of Excise, City of Chelsea	1
Fall River Board of Finance	2
Fall River Board of Police	1
Finance Commission, City of Boston	6
Police Commissioner, City of Boston	1
Supervisors of Elections, City of Chelsea	40
Supervisors of Elections, City of Revere	20
Secretary to the Governor	2
Executive Secretary	1
Assistant Executive Secretary	1
Assistant Secretaries to the Governor	9
Executive Messenger	1
Assistant Executive Messengers	2
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	3,506

Certificates to the number of 6,082 were issued, of which 1,291 were for certificates for which no fees are charged.

CORPORATION DIVISION (Rooms 332 and 333)

The total number of certificates of incorporation issued under General Laws to new corporations for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1935, was 2,583—a decrease of 73 as compared with the fiscal year ending November 30, 1934. They were classified as follows:—

Business corporations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 156, section 12)	2,171
Religious, charitable, social, educational, musical, athletic, etc., corporations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 180, section 3)	361
Fraternal beneficiary corporations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 176, section 9)	13
Churches (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 67, section 51)	10

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Credit unions (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 171, section 3)	21
Insurance companies (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 175, section 49)	4
Trust company (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 172, section 10)	1
Cooperative bank (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 170, section 5)	1
Water company (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 158, section 9)	1

The number of certificates of every description filed was 25,177—an increase of 116 as compared with the fiscal year ending November 30, 1934. Of these, 2,171 were articles of organization of business corporations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 156, section 12); 361 were articles of organization of religious, charitable, social and other organizations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 180); 1,123 were amendments of Massachusetts business corporations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 156, sections 16, 17, 42-45); 17,467 were certificates of condition of Massachusetts corporations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 158, section 37 and chapter 156, section 47); 2,040 were certificates of condition of foreign corporations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 181, section 12); 1,260 were reports of social and athletic organizations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 180, section 26A), and the others were divided among 38 other classes.

There were issued 35 certificates of change of name of corporations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 155, section 10, and chapter 180, section 11).

Returns were received of the dissolution of 20 corporations by the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts.

Under the act relating to the incorporation of clubs, charters were refused in 37 cases, five charters declared void, and 23 applications for incorporations withdrawn. Under the law relative to change of name of clubs, one such application was refused and two applications withdrawn.

Limited partnership certificates to the number of 33 were filed. 3,302 certified copies of the records and certificates were supplied—a decrease of 246 as compared with the fiscal year ending November 30, 1934.

LABELS, TRADE-MARKS, ETC.

By General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 110, section 8, which relates to the adoption and registration of labels, trade-marks, stamps and forms of advertisement, the duty is placed upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth of receiving and filing such labels, etc., and of issuing and recording certificates of record. Under this law, labels, trade-marks, stamps and forms of advertisement were received, and certificates of record issued and recorded in 362 cases.

Under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 110, section 8, which provides for the assignment of labels, trade-marks, stamps and forms of advertisement, eleven assignments were received, and certificates of registration issued.

MARKS AND DEVICES ON CANS, ETC.

Under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 110, section 21, which provides for the protection of dealers and consumers against the unlawful use and destruction of milk and ice cream cans, jugs, bottles, jars, tubs or cabinets, four descriptions of marks, devices, etc., were received and filed.

VITAL STATISTICS DIVISION (Room 334)

Under the provisions of General Laws (Tercentenary Edition), chapter 46, section 17, returns of births and marriages from 355 cities and towns and births from the State Infirmary at Tewksbury for the year 1934, which were received in 1935, cover 63,767 births and 30,241 marriages, an increase of 310 births and an increase of 4,292 marriages, as compared with the returns of 1933.

Under the provisions of the same law 50,760 certified copies of records of deaths

were received, covering a period from January 1, 1934, to December 31, 1934, a decrease of 72 as compared with the returns of 1933.

Medical examiners' returns for 1934 cover 9,145 an increase of 558 as compared with the returns for 1933.

Returns by clerks of courts and registers of probate of the decrees of divorce granted during 1934 number 3,645, an increase of 435 as compared with the returns for 1933.

These figures are fully compiled and analyzed in the annual registration report for 1934 (Public Document No. 1), and were available August 2, 1935.

During the year 2,612 certificates of birth, 1,353 certificates of marriage and 1,258 certificates of death were issued, a total of 5,223. Of these 1,902 were certified abstracts given for Soldiers' Relief and United States Government war claims without fee. There were 23,091 requests for records, an increase of 1,198 more than in 1934. Fees received from these certificates amounted to \$1,622.80.

10,105 card abstracts of birth records for school, employment and enlistment purposes were issued without charge, an increase of 1,457.

There were 7,894 delayed records of birth and corrections of birth records received; 136 corrections of marriage and 72 corrections of death records were also received.

CHANGES OF NAMES OF PERSONS

The returns of 1,182 names, changed in 1934 as decreed by the several probate courts, were received and filed in compliance with the requirements of General Laws, (Tercentenary Edition), chapter 210, section 12.

ARCHIVES DIVISION (Room 438)

There have been made during the fiscal year 61 military certificates, 14 type-written copies, and 20,135 photostatic copies of legislative records and files, maps, corporation records, finger prints, etc.

The following fees have been received:

Military certificates, \$63.10; typewritten copies, \$16.00; photostatic copies, \$4,623.76; totalling \$4,702.86.

No volumes of Vital Records were purchased during the year, the usual annual appropriation for the purpose having been omitted.

PUBLIC DOCUMENT DIVISION (Room 118)

During the year 1935 the following publications were received for distribution through the Public Document Division: 77,441 volumes of the Public Document Series, representing 70 reports of the several State departments, boards and commissions; 11,000 copies of the 1935 pamphlet edition of the Session Laws; 600 copies each of the Senate and House Journals, 1935, total, 1,200 copies (from the Sergeant-at-Arms); 410 copies each of the Massachusetts Reports, Nos. 285, 286 and 287, total, 1,230 copies; 553 copies of the Proceedings of the sixty-ninth Annual Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Massachusetts, 1935; 602 copies of the Proceedings of the Thirty-fifth Annual Encampment, United Spanish War Veterans, Department of Massachusetts, 1934; 1,425 copies of the Proceedings of the Sixteenth Annual Convention, The American Legion, Department of Massachusetts, 1934; 800 copies of the Proceedings of the Fourteenth Annual Encampment, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Massachusetts, 1934; 740 copies of the Proceedings of the Thirteenth Annual Convention, Disabled American Veterans of the World War, 1934; 51 copies of the 1934 report of the Finance Commission for the City of Lowell, which copies were received from the above commission; 203 copies of the 1934 report of the Fall River Board of Finance, which copies were received from the above board; 1,017 copies of the Statutes Relating to Credit Unions, 1935; 300 copies of the Journals of the House of Representatives, Vol. 15, 1737-38; 5,070 copies of the 1934 amendments to the Laws Relating to Insurance and Insurance Companies; 444 copies of edition of the Executive Council report on the return of votes for State Officers, 1934; 10,088 copies of the Manual of Fire Department Equipment and Practice; 10,500 copies of the Manual for the General Court, 1935-36; 15,010 copies of the Condensed Summary of Laws Relative to Innholders and Common Victuallers, 1934; 2,075 copies of chapters 43 and 43A,

General Laws, as amended to Dec. 31, 1934, relating to plans A, B, C and D, City Charters and Standard Form of Representative Town Meeting Government; making a grand total of 139,749 volumes that have passed through this division during the year.

DIVISION OF PUBLIC RECORDS (Room 252)

Inspections

Under the provisions of General Laws, (Tercentenary Edition) Chapter 66, Section 1, there have been made by the Supervision of Records during the year 1935 inspections of the care, custody, condition and protection against fires of the public records of the departments and offices of the counties, cities and towns as follows:—

Acton, Acushnet, Adams, Agawam, Amherst, Andover, Ashburnham, Ashby, Ashfield, Ayer, Becket, Berkley, Billerica, Blandford, Boxford, Boylston, Brimfield, Brookfield, Canton, Carlisle, Carver, Charlemont, Charlton, Chelmsford, Cheshire, Clarksburg, Clinton, Cohasset, Dalton, Dartmouth, Dedham, Dighton, Dunstable, Duxbury, East Brookfield, Easthampton, Egremont, Fairhaven, FALL RIVER, FITCHBURG, Florida, Framingham, Freetown, GARDNER, Georgetown, Great Barrington, Groton, Groveland, Hancock, Harvard, Hatfield, HAVERHILL, Hawley, Heath, Hingham, Hinsdale, Holden, HOLYOKE, Hudson, Hull, Kingston, Lakeville, Lancaster, Lanesborough, LAWRENCE, Lee, LEOMINSTER, Leverett, Leyden, Lincoln, Littleton, LOWELL, Ludlow, MALDEN, Marion, MARLBOROUGH, Marshfield, Mattapoisett, Maynard, Medfield, MEDFORD, MELROSE, Millbury, Milton, Monroe, Montague, Mount Washington, Natick, New Ashford, NEW BEDFORD, New Braintree, NORTH ADAMS, North Andover, North Brookfield, Norwell, Norwood, Oakham, Otis, Oxford, Palmer, Paxton, Pepperell, Phillipston, PITTSFIELD, Plymouth, QUINCY, Reading, Richmond, Rochester, Rowe, Royalston, Rutland, Sandisfield, Savoy, Scituate, Sharon, Shirley, Shutesbury, Somerset, Southampton, Southwick, Spencer, Sterling, Stockbridge, Stoneham, Stoughton, Stow, Sudbury, Sunderland, Sutton, Swansea, TAUNTON, Templeton, Tewksbury, Townsend, Wakefield, Wales, Walpole, Wareham, Warren, Washington, Wayland, Webster, Wellesley, West Boylston, West Brookfield, West Springfield, WESTFIELD, Westford, Westhampton, Weston, Westport, Weymouth, Whately, Wilbraham, Williamstown, Winchendon, Windsor, WOBURN.

During the year 14 vaults and 10 safes have been approved by this office.

Fires

An early morning fire December 15, 1934, totally destroyed the Fitchburg Senior High School. All records were removed to a place of safety before the fire enveloped the entire structure.

An early morning fire December 18, 1934, totally destroyed the Abington High School. No records were lost.

An early morning fire January 7, 1935, damaged the Town Hall at Ware. The cabinet of Standards of the Sealer of Weights and Measures was lost but has been replaced by a new set. The vault and safes in which the records were kept preserved their contents intact.

An early morning fire January 8, 1935, totally destroyed the Town Hall at Chester. Ballot Box, counting boards and voting booths were lost. The records were kept in a vault in the brick office building near the Town Hall.

An early morning fire January 24, 1935, burned the office of the Town Clerk at Maynard. The safes in which the records were kept preserved their contents intact.

An early evening fire April 24, 1935, damaged May Hall, the administration building of the State Teachers College at Framingham. Records were removed to an adjoining building.

An early morning fire June 7, 1935, destroyed the Clinton High School. Many volumes of the school library were lost. Records were removed to a place of safety.

City Halls

No new City Halls have been built during the year. Lowell has taken a building outside the City Hall for the Health Clinic. Alterations have been made during the

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year on the Salem City Hall by the re-arrangement of offices and the construction of a vault. P.D. 46

Town Halls

The new Town Hall at Ware is nearing completion and will soon be ready for occupancy. Plans are prepared for a new Town Hall for Norwell. Alterations have been made during the year on the following town halls: Acton, Chatham, Cohasset, Dedham, Kingston, West Boylston, and West Bridgewater by the construction of vaults. The new High School at Dighton will also house the Selectmens' office and a vault for town records.

Barnstable County

A new County Jail at Barnstable, Mass.

District Courts

Plymouth County is constructing a new vault in the Court House at Middleborough; also one for the Police Department.

Repairing and Binding

Records have been repaired and rebound during the year for the towns of Dennis, Egremont, Falmouth, Great Barrington, Hull, Mendon, Norwell, Oxford, Rockport, Templeton, and Tyringham: Registry of Deeds at Plymouth.

Typewriter Ribbons and Stamping Pads

A printed list of approved typewriter ribbons and stamping pads will be published later for distribution.

CENSUS DIVISION

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 25 of the Acts of 1934, forms, blanks and instructions were prepared and forwarded to the Mayor of each city and the Selectmen of each town in the Commonwealth, in ample time for them to begin the enumeration of their municipality, on January 1, 1935.

By the Census Act each municipality was required to forward to the Secretary of the Commonwealth the completed returns, together with a sworn statement of the total of the population obtained, on or before June 30, 1935.

In accordance with the provisions of the Census Act forms and blanks were sent to the Election Commissioners or Registrars of Voters in ample time for them to make their returns to this office of the number of registered voters on file at the close of business on December 31, 1934. The law required that these returns be received not later than June 30, 1935.

The results of the Census will be published in pamphlet form early in 1936.

ADVERTISING MASSACHUSETTS

Under an item in the budget, incorporated on recommendation of His Excellency the Governor, the secretary was charged with the dissemination of information relative to the advantages and desirability of Massachusetts for industrial, recreational and other purposes. The appropriation was \$100,000 and of this amount \$34,500 was allocated to the New England Council, to be used in conjunction with moneys appropriated by the other five New England States, by agreement of the Governors, to advertise New England.

Unfortunately this appropriation was not made until the vacation season was almost upon us and there was not sufficient time to formulate a wholly satisfactory program.

The Commonwealth was most fortunate in assistance it received in this work. The Advertising Club of Boston offered its services and advice and through its efforts we were enabled to interest three of the outstanding advertising men of America in our task,—Frank A. Black, a director of William Filene's Sons Company and Treasurer of the Advertising Federation of America; Allyn B. McIntire, Vice President of the Pepperell Manufacturing Company and President of the Association of National Advertisers; and Bennett L. Moore, Assistant Vice President of the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, in charge of advertising and sales promotion. All Massachusetts men, interested in our problems, the service they so

freely gave contributed much to the success of the campaign. No major features of the work were undertaken until they had been fully discussed with them and met with their approval.

The Kenyon Advertising Agency was employed to prepare and place the advertising. A bureau consisting of a supervisor and an assistant was set up in the Secretary's office to answer inquiries, distribute literature and perform other duties incidental to the advertising.

Actual advertising started Sunday, June 26, with full page rotogravure, in the New York Times, New York Herald-Tribune, Philadelphia Inquirer, Cleveland Plain Dealer, Pittsburgh Press, Cincinnati Inquirer and Washington Post.

This was followed with half page rotogravure Sunday, June 30, in four of these papers. Two hundred line advertisements were run in thirty-five daily newspapers east of the Mississippi. The total circulation of the media used was 19,500,000.

In response to this advertising, inquiries were received from every state in the Union and from fifteen foreign countries.

Approximately ten per cent of the inquiries asked for special information regarding hotel rates and facilities, historical points of interest, transportation, etc. The balance requested one or more of the pamphlets offered in the advertisements.

A list of the names of the inquirers was sent to the one hundred fifteen Chambers of Commerce, civic and hotel organizations in the Commonwealth, and where special information was requested, regarding a certain section, a special form was sent to all the organizations in that section. A total of twenty-eight hundred such special forms were sent out.

In addition to the paid advertising, there was obtained nearly 100,000 lines of free publicity in one hundred twelve publications in eighty-one cities and towns. This included one hundred forty-two photographs showing various sections of Massachusetts. The estimated value of the free publicity was over \$35,000.

The following pamphlets were offered for distribution:

Massachusetts Pictorial

Massachusetts Road Map

Massachusetts—The Sportsman's Paradise

Colonial Massachusetts

Your Summer or All-Year Estate or Cottage in Massachusetts.

Massachusetts—Its Industrial, Agricultural and Economic Resources

Massachusetts Pictorial contained a directory of literature which listed booklets obtainable from civic organizations, historical societies, transportation and oil companies, etc.

Booklets were sent in quantity to automobile clubs, tourist agencies, information booths, hotels, railroad and steamship companies and gasoline stations.

The Secretary's office cooperated with various Massachusetts groups attending national conventions during the year and furnished them literature with a view to bringing their next conventions to Massachusetts. According to reports received, this literature was extremely effective in the selection of Massachusetts as the meeting place in 1936 for several large conventions.

Cooperation in the way of supplying photographs for displays and literature was rendered to railroads and steamship companies, bus lines and tourist bureaus in their work to stimulate traffic to Massachusetts.

Through the state police, local police and information booths, automobile window stickers and guest cards were distributed to visiting motorists.

Twenty-nine outdoor advertising signs on the main traffic highways into the state were contracted for with six outdoor advertising companies.

It is of course impossible to know the real success of advertising of this kind, but reports from various recreation centers of the state indicate a larger vacation business than for many years.

If this work is to be undertaken in 1936, it is desirable that it be authorized earlier in the year than in 1935 in order that advertising may be prepared and placed in such publications as are read by the vacationing and touring public, and before many of them have definitely decided upon their vacation goal.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL AND AGENTS' EXPENSES

In compliance with General Laws, (Tercentenary Edition) chapter 3, sections

39 to 50 inclusive, relative to legislative counsel and agents' expenses incurred or paid in connection with promoting or opposing legislation during the last regular session of the General Court, there were 266 entries made in the dockets, an increase of 34 as compared with 1934.

Returns covering 263 entries were received from persons, associations or corporations employing legislative counsel and agents. Two employers who failed to file returns within the time prescribed by law were reported to the Attorney-General, together with two returns which appeared not to conform to law.

The total amount reported as paid to legislative counsel and agents was \$102,240.06. In addition to this amount \$16,293.16 representing annual salaries or retainers apportioned, and \$48,516.68 unapportioned, was reported. Twenty-seven employers stated that they paid nothing.

PROCLAMATIONS

The proclamations of His Excellency the Governor were printed and distributed under the direction of this office. For the observance of each of the following 11,000 copies were distributed to churches, schools, institutions, patriotic societies, postmasters and city and town clerks:—Lincoln Day, February 12, 1935; Spanish War Memorial Day and Maine Memorial Day, February 15, 1935; Boston Massacre, March 5, 1935; Patriots Day, April 19, 1935; Flag Day, June 14, 1935; Bunker Hill Day, June 17, 1935; Commodore John Barry Day, September 13, 1935; Pulaski Day, October 11, 1935; Armistice Day, November 11, 1935, Indian Day, November 25, 1935, and Thanksgiving Day, November 28, 1935. Eleven thousand copies of the Arbor and Bird Day proclamations were mailed to churches, schools, granges, agricultural societies, institutions, postmasters and city and town clerks.

Fire Prevention Week was designated to include the week of October 6, 1935, and 6,650 copies of the Governor's proclamation were distributed to the fire chiefs of the Commonwealth for churches, schools and post offices.

In observance of the three hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Boston Public Latin School 600 copies of the Governor's proclamation were distributed to the schools. American Education Week was designated to include the week of November 11, 1935, and 11,000 copies of the Governor's proclamation were distributed to churches, schools, institutions, patriotic societies, postmasters and city and town clerks.

In observance of Conservation Week, April 8 to 13, 1935, Humane Sunday, April 7, 1935 and "Be Kind to Animals Week," April 8 to 13, 1935, proclamations were issued by His Excellency the Governor to the press.

PARDONS, COMMUTATIONS, RESPITES, REQUISITIONS, ETC.

The number of pardons made out and issued during the year was 36, of which 26 were granted under parole conditions, 1 conditional, and 9 full and complete; commutations, 2; respites, 7; remanders, 3; requisitions: upon other States 93, upon the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States 1, and upon the Secretary of State of the United States for extradition requests upon foreign countries 4; and warrants issued upon requisitions from other States, 33.

INITIATIVE PETITIONS

Eight initiative petitions, accompanied by bills, and each with the requisite certificate of the Attorney General attached, were filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth during the year, under the provisions of Article XLVIII of the Amendments to the Constitution, as follows:—

FOR AN ACT REPEALING THE LAWS RELATIVE TO HORSE AND DOG RACING UNDER THE PARI-MUTUEL SYSTEM OF BETTING AND ABOLISHING THE STATE RACING COMMISSION.

(Filed September 4, 1935; on November 5, 1935, 21,771 subsequent signatures of qualified voters had been filed.)

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LAW

The proposed measure repeals G. L. (Ter. Ed.) chapter 128A, which chapter authorizes the licensing of horse and dog racing on which the pari-mutuel system of betting is permitted.

FOR AN ACT WITH RELATION TO PUBLIC STANDS FOR THE USE OF TAXICABS AND MOTOR VEHICLES FOR HIRE IN CITIES.

(Filed September 4, 1935; on December 4, 1935, 31,111 subsequent signatures of qualified voters had been filed.)

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LAW

The proposed measure provides that in any city which accepts its terms the licensing authorities shall establish free public stands for the use of all taxicabs and motor vehicles for hire, and shall abolish all other forms of such stands.

FOR AN ACT FOR THE PURCHASE AND DEVELOPMENT OF STATE FORESTS.

(Filed October 1, 1935; on December 4, 1935, 23,207 subsequent signatures of qualified voters had been filed.)

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LAW

This measure authorizes the Commissioner of Conservation to purchase within ten years lands within the Commonwealth, to the extent of not more than 500,000 acres, suitable for the production of timber, and to reclaim them for the purpose of producing timber and protecting the water supply. The lands are to be paid for at a rate not to exceed an average cost of five dollars an acre or at such price as may be established by the legislature.

The three foregoing petitions were transmitted to the General Court January 1, 1936.

FOR AN ACT PROVIDING ADDITIONAL REVENUE FOR THE FINANCING OF THE OLD AGE ASSISTANCE LAW AND ADDITIONAL REVENUE FOR CITIES AND TOWNS OF THE COMMONWEALTH BY THE CONDUCT OF STATE LOTTERIES.

(Filed September 4, 1935; no subsequent signatures of qualified voters filed.)

FOR AN ACT FOR THE REPEAL OF AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE LICENSING OF HORSE AND DOG RACES ON WHICH THE PARI-MUTUEL SYSTEM OF BETTING HAS BEEN PERMITTED.

(Two petitions filed; (1) September 17, 1935, (1) September 23, 1935; no subsequent signatures of qualified voters filed.)

FOR AN ACT RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHMENT OF AN OLD AGE PENSION SYSTEM WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

(Filed September 23, 1935; no subsequent signatures of qualified voters filed.)

FOR AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE LICENSING AND REGULATION OF HACKNEY CARRIAGES AND HACKNEY STANDS IN THE CITIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

(Filed October 11, 1935; no subsequent signatures of qualified voters filed.)

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF STATE DEPARTMENTS

By General Laws (Tercentenary Edition), chapter 30, section 37, certain rules and regulations of departments, commissions, boards or officials vested by law with the power to make and issue rules and regulations general in scope, and to be observed or performed under penalty for the violation thereof, shall not take effect until attested copies thereof have been filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth. Under this law rules and regulations were filed by the following departments during the year 1935: Department of Agriculture, Department of Civil Service and Registration, Department of Conservation, Department of Labor and Industries, Department of Public Health, Department of Public Safety, Department of Public Utilities, Board of Tax Appeals and Metropolitan District Commission.

MISCELLANEOUS

The two reports from this office which form a part of the Public Document series, namely, Returns of Births, Marriages, Divorces and Deaths (Public Document No. 1) and Election Statistics, (Public Document No. 43) have been made, as required by law.

FREDERIC W. COOK,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

RETURNS FROM CITIES AND TOWNS RELATIVE TO ACTION TAKEN UNDER CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE GENERAL LAWS
(Tercentenary Edition)

WHEN RECEIVED	CITY OR TOWN	SUBJECT AND REFERENCE	ACTION	DATE OF ACTION
1935				
Jan. 22	Medford	Disposition of burnt or dangerous buildings, G. L. 139, ss. 1, 2 and 3	Accepted	Jan. 18, 1935
Feb. 20	Athol	Licensed boxing matches, G. L. 147, ss. 32-47	Accepted	Feb. 18, 1935
Mar. 13	Revere	Municipal pensions for school janitors, G. L. 32, ss. 44 and 45	Accepted	Mar. 8, 1935
Mar. 20	Somerville	Disposition of burnt or dangerous buildings, G. L. 139, ss. 1, 2 and 3	Accepted	Mar. 18, 1935
Mar. 23	Arlington	Standard form of representative town meeting government, G. L. 43A	Accepted	Mar. 4, 1935
Mar. 30	Ashland	Collection of water rates, G. L. 40, ss. 42A-42F	Accepted	Mar. 6, 1935
Mar. 30	Ashland	Public baths or wash houses, G. L. 40, s. 12	Accepted	Mar. 6, 1935
Apr. 1	Revere	Certain sports and games permitted on the Lord's day, G. L. 136, ss. 21-25	Accepted	Mar. 28, 1935
Apr. 4	Webster	Workmen's compensation for foremen, sub-foremen and inspectors, G. L. 152, ss. 69-75	Accepted	Mar. 26, 1935
Apr. 6	Holyoke	Sunday sales, G. L. 136, ss. 7 and 8	Accepted	Mar. 26, 1935
Apr. 11	Somerville	Repair or removal of dangerous structures and buildings, G. L. 143, ss. 6-12	Accepted	Apr. 3, 1935
Apr. 17	Clinton	Disposition of burnt or dangerous buildings, G. L. 139, ss. 1, 2 and 3	Accepted	Mar. 29, 1935
Apr. 18	Watertown	Certain sports and games permitted on the Lord's day, G. L. 136, ss. 21-25	Accepted	Feb. 25, 1935
Apr. 24	Saugus	Reserve police forces in certain towns, 1930, 15 (G. L. 147, s. 13A)	Accepted	Apr. 10, 1935
May 8	Milford	Civil service for regular and call firemen, G. L. 31, s. 48	Accepted	Mar. 25, 1935
May 8	Hull	Workmen's compensation for injuries sustained by certain public employees, 1927, 309, s. 12 (G. L. 152, s. 69)	Accepted	Mar. 9, 1934
May 13	Canton	Pensions for policemen and firemen, G. L. 32, s. 85	Accepted	Apr. 27, 1935
June 4	Worcester	Absent voting at city elections, 1933, 313 (G. L. 54, s. 103A)	Accepted	Mar. 4, 1935
June 6	Marion	Municipal advertising, 1930, 223 (G. L. 40, s. 6A)	Accepted	May 31, 1935
June 6	Marlborough	Absent voting at city elections, 1933, 313 (G. L. 54, s. 103A)	Accepted	June 3, 1935
June 12	Winchendon	Certain sports and games permitted on the Lord's day, G. L. 136, ss. 21-25	Accepted	May 20, 1935
June 28	Scituate	Collection of water rates, G. L. 40, ss. 42A-42F	Accepted	Mar. 10, 1934
July 16	Norwood	Laying out of sewers and pipes in unaccepted ways, G. L. 82, s. 25	Accepted	Mar. 11, 1935
July 19	Medford	Removal of dangerous buildings, G. L. 143, ss. 6-12	Accepted	July 12, 1935
Aug. 24	Peabody	Municipal pensions for school janitors, G. L. 32, ss. 44 and 45	Accepted	July 5, 1935
Sept. 25	Athol	Certain sports and games permitted on the Lord's day, G. L. 136, ss. 21-25	Accepted	Aug. 23, 1935
Sept. 28	Winchendon	Collection of water rates, G. L. 40, ss. 42A-42F	Accepted	Sept. 23, 1935
Nov. 20	Somerville	Workmen's compensation for injuries sustained by certain public employees, 1927, 309, s. 12 (G. L. 152, s. 69)	Accepted	Sept. 6, 1935
Nov. 23	Lowell	Certain sports and games permitted on the Lord's day, G. L. 136, ss. 21-25	Accepted	Nov. 16, 1935

RETURNS RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF CERTAIN SPECIAL ACTS PASSED BY THE GENERAL COURT AND REFERRED TO THE VOTERS, TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF A CITY, TO THE SELECTMEN OF A TOWN, OR THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF A COUNTY

WHEN RECEIVED	FROM WHOM RECEIVED	TITLE OF ACT	DATE OF ACTION	VOTE	
				Yes	No
1934 Dec. 8	City Clerk, Medford	An Act relative to indemnification of certain public employees for damages sustained through operation of certain publicly owned vehicles (1934, 291)	Dec. 6, 1934	-1	-
Dec. 13	City Clerk, Taunton	An Act providing for the election of councilmen by wards in the city of Taunton (1934, 253)	Dec. 4, 1934	4,067	2,536
1935 Jan. 3	City Clerk, Fall River	An Act providing for the repair, control and maintenance of the Slade's Ferry Bridge, so called, over the Taunton river between the city of Fall River and the town of Somerset (1934, 367)	Dec. 31, 1934	-2	-
Jan. 8	Clerk, Board of Selectmen, Somerset	An Act providing for the repair, control and maintenance of the Slade's Ferry bridge, so called, over the Taunton river between the city of Fall River and the town of Somerset (1934, 367)	Jan. 4, 1935	-3	-
Jan. 25	Clerk, Boston Elevated Railway Company	An Act providing unified transportation service in certain parts of the Boston Metropolitan District (1932, 299)	Jan. 23, 1935	-4	-
Jan. 31	City Clerk, Salem	An Act providing for biennial municipal elections in the city of Salem (1933, 133)	Dec. 5, 1933	7,948	2,013
Feb. 19	Town Clerk, Millis	An Act placing the office of chief of police of the town of Millis under the civil service laws (1935, 2)	Feb. 11, 1935	408	388
Feb. 21	City Clerk, Brockton	An Act relative to indemnification of certain public employees for damages sustained through operation of certain publicly owned vehicles (1934, 291)	Feb. 20, 1935	-2	-
Mar. 16	Town Clerk, Deerfield	An Act placing the office of chief of police of the town of Deerfield under the civil service laws (1935, 6)	Mar. 4, 1935	272	407
Mar. 18	Assistant Clerk, Middlesex County Commissioners	An Act authorizing the appointment of an additional court officer for the third district court of Eastern Middlesex (1935, 71)	Mar. 15, 1935	-5	-
Mar. 19	Town Clerk, Ipswich	An Act authorizing the town of Ipswich to borrow money for school purposes (1934, 240)	Mar. 11, 1935	924	585
Mar. 19	Town Clerk, West Springfield	An Act authorizing the appointment in the town of West Springfield of a town physician (1935, 7)	Mar. 6, 1935	59	21
Mar. 27	Deputy Assistant Clerk, Essex County Commissioners	An Act providing for a fifth assistant clerk of courts for the county of Essex (1935, 89)	Mar. 26, 1935	-6	-
Mar. 30	Town Clerk, South Hadley	An Act establishing non-partisan municipal elections in the town of South Hadley (1935, 11)	Mar. 4, 1935	1,235	490
Mar. 30	Town Clerk, South Hadley	An Act further regulating the use of traps and other devices for the capture of fur-bearing animals and providing for local option thereon (1934, 275)	Mar. 4, 1935	910	664
Apr. 3	City Clerk, Boston	An Act providing for modification of the terms and conditions under which the Boston Elevated Railway Company is using certain alterations in and extensions to the Boylston Street subway and making certain changes relative to payments in connection with such use (1935, 100)	Apr. 2, 1935	-2	-
Apr. 5	City Clerk, Gardner	An Act excluding loan orders by the city of Gardner from certain provisions of its charter relating to publication of measures and their subjection to referendum (1935, 65)	Apr. 2, 1935	-2	-

RETURNS RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF CERTAIN SPECIAL ACTS PASSED BY THE GENERAL COURT AND REFERRED TO THE VOTERS, TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF A CITY, TO THE SELECTMEN OF A TOWN, OR THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF A COUNTY
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WHEN RECEIVED	FROM WHOM RECEIVED	TITLE OF ACT	DATE OF ACTION	VOTE	
				Yes	No
Apr. 17	Town Clerk, Clinton	An Act designating the chief engineer of the fire department of the town of Clinton as chief of the fire department of said town, and placing the office of said chief under the civil service laws (1935, 10)	Mar. 4, 1935	2,533	1,694
Apr. 24	City Clerk, Boston	An Act providing for the construction of a municipal building in the East Boston district of the city of Boston (1934, 178)	Dec. 27, 1934	—	— ⁷
Apr. 24	City Clerk, Boston	An Act providing for construction of a car stop in the extension of the Boylston street subway under Beacon street in the city of Boston (1934, 268)	Aug. 2, 1934	—	— ⁷
Apr. 25	Town Clerk, Brookline	An Act amending the laws relative to the retirement system in the town of Brookline (1934, 72)	Mar. 20, 1934	— ⁸	—
Apr. 25	Town Clerk, Braintree	An Act establishing a town manager form of government for the town of Braintree (1934, 321)	Mar. 4, 1935	1,130	2,593
Apr. 25	Town Clerk, Needham	An Act relative to the payment of the cost of construction of particular sewers and connecting drains in the town of Needham (1934, 29)	Mar. 26, 1934	— ⁹	—
Apr. 25	Town Clerk, Danvers	An Act authorizing the town of Danvers to establish a board of public works exercising the powers of certain other boards, departments and town officers (1934, 26)	Mar. 5, 1934	925	990
Apr. 29	City Clerk, Waltham	An Act establishing the financial year of the city of Waltham (1934, 38)	Apr. 9, 1934	— ²	—
Apr. 29	Town Clerk, Essex	An Act authorizing the town of Essex to supply itself and its inhabitants with water (1934, 261)	July 13, 1934	— ⁸	—
May 1	City Clerk, Haverhill	An Act designating the chief engineer of the fire department of the city of Haverhill as chief of the fire department of said city, and placing the office of said chief under the civil service laws (1934, 119)	Dec. 4, 1934	11,131	3,227
May 7	City Clerk, Beverly	An Act authorizing the city of Beverly to compensate the members of its board of aldermen (1934, 159)	Nov. 6, 1934	2,757	4,424
May 8	Town Clerk, Milford	An Act establishing in the town of Milford representative town government by limited town meetings (1933, 271)	Mar. 5, 1934	— ⁹	—
May 8	Town Clerk, Milford	An Act providing retirement allowances and disability and death benefits based on annuity and pension contributions for regular police officers of the town of Milford (1935, 58)	Mar. 18, 1935	— ⁹	—
May 15	Secretary, Hebrew Women's Sewing Society	An Act empowering the Hebrew Women's Sewing Society, located in Boston, to transfer its property to the Associated Jewish Philanthropies, Inc. (1935, 34)	Apr. 9, 1935	— ¹⁰	—
May 28	City Clerk, Somerville	An Act relative to indemnification of certain public employees for damages sustained through operation of certain publicly owned vehicles (1934, 291)	May 24, 1935	— ¹	—
May 30	Assistant Clerk, Essex County Commissioners	An Act authorizing the county of Essex to increase the retirement allowance of Daniel A. MacKinnon (1935, 273)	May 24, 1935	— ⁶	—
June 3	Assistant Clerk, Middlesex County Commissioners	An Act relative to military service of county employees (1935, 205)	May 31, 1935	— ⁶	—
June 4	Clerk, Associated Jewish Philanthropies, Inc.	An Act empowering the Hebrew Women's Sewing Society, located in Boston, to transfer its property to the Associated Jewish Philanthropies, Inc. (1935, 34)	May 31, 1935	— ¹¹	—

June 8	Clerk, Worcester County Commissioners	An Act relative to military service of county employees (1935, 205)	June	4, 1935	- 12
June 8	City Clerk, Cambridge	An Act relative to military service of county employees (1935, 205)	June	7, 1935	- 2
June 19	City Clerk, Boston	An Act subjecting to classification that portion of the salaries of the court officers and messenger of the Supreme Judicial Court in Suffolk County payable by said county (1935, 182)	June	15, 1935	- 2
July 1	Deputy Assistant Clerk, Essex County Commissioners	An Act establishing the salary of the justice of the district court of Peabody (1935, 366)	June	28, 1935	- 6
July 16	City Clerk, Westfield	An Act relative to the election of the president of the city council of the city of Westfield (1935, 16)	July	8, 1935	- 13
July 19	City Clerk, Medford	An Act authorizing the city of Medford to use certain park land in said city for general municipal purposes (1935, 79)	July	5, 1935	- 1
July 29	Deputy Asst. Clerk, Essex County Commissioners	An Act providing for the appointment of a court officer and a messenger for the probate court of Essex County (1935, 313)	July	26, 1935	- 14
Sept. 3	City Clerk, Boston	An Act to provide for the construction of tunnels or subways in the city of Boston and the purchase and removal of certain elevated structures in said city, with the aid of federal funds (1935, 492)	Sept.	3, 1935	- 2
Sept. 3	District Clerk, Salisbury Reclamation District	An Act authorizing the construction by the department of public works of a dike and incidental structures in tide water within the territory of the Salisbury reclamation district (1935, 399)	Aug.	14, 1935	- 15
Sept. 3	City Clerk, Fitchburg	An Act providing retirement allowances based on annuity and pension contributions for employees of the city of Fitchburg (1935, 450)	July	30, 1935	- 16
Sept. 21	City Clerk, Lowell	An Act relative to the pensioning of laborers in the employ of the city of Lowell (1935, 432)	Sept.	20, 1935	- 16
Oct. 5	Secretary, The New York, New Haven and Hartford R.R. Co.	An Act reallocating the cost of the repair of the Slade's Ferry Bridge, so called, over the Taunton river (1935, 488)	Sept.	25, 1935	- 17
Oct. 29	Clerk, Board of Selectmen, Blandford	An Act authorizing the transfer of the Taggart Fund, so called, to the town of Blandford (1935, 124)	May	10, 1935	- 18
Oct. 29	Clerk, Board of Trustees, Taggart Fund, Blandford	An Act authorizing the transfer of the Taggart Fund, so called, in the town of Blandford (1935, 124)	April	27, 1935	- 19
Oct. 31	Chairman, Norfolk County Commissioners	An Act authorizing the county commissioners of Norfolk county to build and equip a nurses' home at the Norfolk county tuberculosis hospital (1935, 245)	May	21, 1935	- 20
Nov. 12	City Clerk, Marlborough	An Act subjecting the office of chief of police of the city of Marlborough to the civil service laws (1935, 44)	Nov.	5, 1935	2,514
Nov. 16	City Clerk, Fitchburg	An Act subjecting the office of the commissioner of soldiers' relief and state and military aid of the city of Fitchburg to the civil service laws (1935, 108)	Nov.	5, 1935	- 9
Nov. 16	City Clerk, Fitchburg	An Act providing retirement allowances based on annuity and pension contributions for employees of the city of Fitchburg (1935, 450)	Nov.	5, 1935	- 9
Nov. 20	City Clerk, Worcester	An Act authorizing certain loans by the city of Worcester for the purpose of constructing junior high school or combined senior and junior high school buildings (1935, 108)	Nov.	5, 1935	33,855
Nov. 20	City Clerk, Worcester	An Act subjecting the offices of commissioner of soldiers' relief and state and military aid and supervisor of soldiers' and sailors' graves in the city of Worcester to the civil service laws (1935, 170)	Nov.	5, 1935	15,077

¹⁴Accepted by the board of aldermen.

²⁴Accepted by the mayor and city council.

³⁴Accepted by the board of selectmen of Somerset.

⁴⁴Accepted by the Boston Elevated Railway Company.

⁵⁴Accepted by the county commissioners of Middlesex County.

⁶⁴Accepted by the county commissioners of Essex County.

⁷⁴Rejected by the mayor.

⁸⁴Adopted by unanimous vote.

⁹⁴Accepted, affirmative and negative votes not returned.

¹⁰⁴Accepted by the board of directors of the Hebrew Women's Sewing Society.

¹¹⁴Accepted by the executive committee of the Associated Jewish Philanthropies, Inc.

¹²⁴Accepted by the county commissioners of Worcester County.

¹³⁴Rejected by the city council.

¹⁴⁴Rejected by the county commissioners of Essex County.

¹⁵⁴Accepted by the proprietors of the Salisbury reclamation district.

¹⁶⁴Accepted by the city council.

¹⁷⁴Accepted by the directors of The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company.

¹⁸⁴Accepted by the board of selectmen of Blandford.

¹⁹⁴Accepted by the trustees of the Taggart Fund in Blandford.

²⁰⁴Accepted by the county commissioners of Norfolk County.

ABSTRACT OF THE RETURNS OF THE SHERIFFS OF THE SEVERAL COUNTIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH FOR THE YEAR ENDING
SEPTEMBER 30, 1935, IN COMPLIANCE WITH GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 37, SECTION 23

COUNTIES	AMOUNT OF MONEY RECEIVED				NUMBER OF DAYS' ATTENDANCE				
	From County Treasurer	From All Other Sources	Total	For Fees in Civil Processes	For Fees in Criminal Processes	Upon the Court	Upon County Commis- sioners	Upon More than One Tribunal Simultane- ously	Total
Barnstable	\$2,640 00	\$1,055 00	\$3,695 00	—	—	32	27	4	63
Berkshire	3,414 45	—	3,414 45	—	—	68	16	3	87
Bristol	4,553 13	5,105 00	9,658 13	—	—	122	4	6	132
Dukes	613 50	127 65	741 15	\$125 25	\$2 00	7	—	—	7
Essex	5,682 59	15,211 00	20,893 59	—	—	189	—	143	332
Franklin	1,500 00	437 00	1,937 00	—	—	45	—	—	45
Hampden	3,673 12	5,030 00	8,703 12	—	—	136	30	14	180
Hampshire	3,541 21	3,230 00	6,771 21	—	—	55	16	3	74
Middlesex	4,694 36	18,383 62	23,077 98	—	—	1,057	—	182	1,239
Nantucket	873 29	90 00	963 29	—	—	5	—	—	5
Norfolk	4,005 12	6,666 53	10,671 65	—	—	215	—	80	295
Plymouth	4,491 50	6,650 00	11,141 50	—	—	142	37	28	207
Suffolk	3,000 00	29,478 25	32,478 25	—	—	3,158	—	—	3,158
Worcester	2,700 00	11,872 14	14,572 14	—	—	593	150	—	743
Total	\$45,382 27	\$103,336 19	\$148,718 46	\$125 25	\$2 00	5,824	280	463	6,507

ABSTRACT AND TABULAR STATEMENT OF THE RETURNS RELATIVE TO THE LAW, EQUITY, DIVORCE AND CRIMINAL BUSINESS OF THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1935, IN COMPLIANCE WITH GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 221, SECTION 24, AS AMENDED. (Naturalization Business not included.)

COUNTIES	CIVIL CASES												
	Number Pending at Beginning of Year			Number New Cases Entered During the Year			Number Disposed of in Previous Years and Brought Forward This Year			Number Transferred from Law to Equity.			Number of Equity Cases in which Issues were Tried to a Jury.
	Law	Equity	Divorce and Nullity	Law	Equity	Divorce and Nullity	Law	Equity	Divorce and Nullity	Law	Equity	Divorce and Nullity	
Barnstable	360	44	-	167	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Berkshire	534	127	-	284	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Bristol	2,037	414	1	975	128	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Dukes	45	4	3	15	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Essex	6,103	771	3	2,041	240	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Franklin	239	64	-	129	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Hampden	4,317	586	43	1,904	170	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Hampshire	444	78	2	232	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Middlesex	10,804	1,294	5	3,574	404	1	27	4	1	3	3	1	1
Nantucket	52	1	-	23	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Norfolk	3,643	323	5	1,111	80	2	1,087	65	61	1	1	1	1
Plymouth	1,403	230	98	456	67	58	484	47	48	68	68	23	3
Suffolk	30,205	5,298	16	8,991	1,546	1	10,016	1,080	1,497	8	8	13	1
Worcester	5,985	532	2	2,173	173	-	2,765	311	382	-	-	425	4
Total	66,171	9,736	175	22,075	2,881	66	40	£	£	14	14	817	11
										23,242	53,801	2,360	62
										9,045	9,807	655	
										Divorce and Nullity	Equity	Divorce and Nullity	
										Law	Equity	Law	
										With-out Jury	With-out Jury	With-out Jury	
										Jury	Jury	Jury	
										292	67	33	
										454	80	40	
										1,677	356	220	
										24	16	3	
										5,102	742	254	
										180	48	26	
										4,022	540	196	
										388	64	66	
										9,577	1,025	411	
										25	33	2	
										2,891	711	115	
										1,163	169	109	
										23,201	4,917	741	
										4,805	5,322	144	
										323	323	35	
										164	164	62	

ABSTRACT AND TABULAR STATEMENT OF THE RETURNS RELATIVE TO THE LAW, EQUITY, DIVORCE AND CRIMINAL BUSINESS OF THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1935, IN COMPLIANCE WITH GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 221, SECTION 24, AS AMENDED. (Naturalization Business not included.)—*concluded*.

COUNTIES	CIVIL CASES						CRIMINAL CASES																	
	Number Awaiting Trial at End of Year		Number Marked Inactive During the Year Under Rule of the Court		Number Marked Inactive at Any Time Pending at End of Year, and Subject to Dismissal under the Rule		Number of Days during which Court has Sat for Hearings or Trials		Number Remaining at First of Year.	Number of Indictments Returned.	Number of Appeal Cases.	Number of Actions on Bail Bonds or Recognizances Entered.	Number Disposed of in Previous Years, Brought Forward for Redisposition.	Number Disposed of during Year.	Number Remaining at End of Year.	Number Tried During Year.	Number Awaiting Trial at End of Year.	Number of Days during which Court has Sat for Trials, Hearings or Dispositions.						
	Law		Law		Divorce and Nullity		Divorce and Nullity												Equity	Equity	Law	Equity	Jury	Without Jury
	Jury	Without Jury	Jury	Without Jury	Jury	Without Jury	Jury	Without Jury																
Barnstable	284	57	38	17	6	2	—	—	16	24	55	—	—	40	113	—	3	162	31	16	18	9		
Berkshire	423	55	72	24	3	18	—	—	57	25	75	—	—	36	108	—	—	151	77	36	69	19		
Bristol	1,580	171	148	118	34	55	—	—	130	94	233	—	—	420	388	1	10	847	182	117	159	82		
Dukes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	11	21	—	15	21	—	—	1		
Essex	5,082	721	685	435	109	10	—	—	298	304	1,110	—	—	537	1,254	21	35	1,886	160	270	119	193		
Franklin	76	8	16	11	5	6	—	—	13	20	45	—	—	53	53	5	1	87	74	68	35	8½		
Hampden	4,004	537	621	39	251	96	6	35	263	730	167	168	239	147	39	5	1	357	223	54	223	42		
Hampshire	326	53	34	2	29	8	7	—	35	26	71	42	3	141	139	5	23	236	114	61	51	36½		
Middlesex	9,413	995	1,174	2	986	147	1	1	489	245	1,320	1,371	1,564	634	1,564	14	147	2,892	838	490	697	321		
Nantucket	25	33	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	5	10	2	136	5	13	5	13	2		
Norfolk	2,870	711	341	3	355	47	—	—	125	122	885	31	139	510	556	2	136	1,230	221	131	194	98		
Plymouth	1,082	147	242	66	83	31	9	22	84	84	249	334	539	307	307	36	121	1,017	320	112	88	96		
Suffolk	20,619	3,848	4,672	11	1,740	637	3	14	2,786	2,786	6,058	700	1,233	4,560	104	428	6,345	680	1,693	606	858	858		
Worcester	4,695	255	296	3	148	3	—	—	152	140	853	43	198	429	615	22	41	1,130	20	226	17	164		
Total	50,473	7,591	8,339	127	4,197	1,113	19,116	74	4,461	3,642	11,684	3,142	2,784½	5,217	9,924	205	946	16,360	2,974	3,279	2,289	1,929		

¹For all types of cases, civil and criminal.

²Number of appeal cases includes waivers of indictment.